

is hereby given of the following Division of Research Grants Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meetings:

Name of SEP: Chemistry and Related Sciences.

Date: October 16, 1995.

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: St. James Hotel, Washington, DC.

Contact Person: Dr. Edward Zapolski, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4168, Bethesda MD 20892, (301) 435-1725.

Name of SEP: Clinical Sciences.

Date: October 18-19, 1995.

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Place: Holiday Inn, Gaithersburg, MD.

Contact Person: Dr. Gopal Sharma, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4112, Bethesda MD 20892, (301) 435-1783.

Name of SEP: Clinical Sciences.

Date: November 2, 1995.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Place: NIH, Rockledge II, Room 4112, Telephone Conference.

Contact Person: Dr. Gopal Sharma, Scientific Review Administrator, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4112, Bethesda MD 20892, (301) 435-1783.

The meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: September 8, 1995.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, National Institutes of Health.

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Office of Alternative Medicine; Meeting

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Alternative Medicine Program Advisory Council on September 18, 1995, from 8 a.m. to recess and on September 19, 1995 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon in the Plaza II Conference Room of the Doubletree Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The meeting will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss current issues in

complementary and alternative medicine research and activities of the Office of Alternative Medicine.

Ms. Beth Clay, Committee Management Liaison, Office of Alternative Medicine, National Institutes of Health, 6120 Executive Boulevard, Suite 450, Rockville, Maryland 20892-9904, phone (301) 594-1990, fax (301) 402-4741, E-Mail: bethclay@helix.nih.gov will furnish the meeting agenda, roster of committee members and substantive program information upon request. Any individual who requires special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Ms. Clay at the above location no later than September 11, 1995.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to difficulties encountered in finalizing the agenda and the need to proceed with the meeting as scheduled to address important issues in a timely manner.

Dated: September 6, 1995.

Susan K. Feldman,

Committee Management Officer, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT-805803

Applicant: Clyde Robinson, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

The applicant requests a permit to import 2 pair Hawaiian ducks (*Anas wyvilliana*) from Dr. Peter Player, East Sussex, England for the purpose of enhancement through captive propagation.

PRT-806362

Applicant: John Ferre, Isla Verde Carolina, PR

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from the captive herd maintained by Mr. F. Bowker, Thornkloof, Grahamstown, South Africa for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-806434

Applicant: Herman Ferre Roig, Isla Verde Carolina, PR

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from the captive herd maintained by Mr. F. Bowker, Thornkloof, Grahamstown, South Africa for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-806355

Applicant: Kathryn Clark, Princeton Univ., Princeton, NJ

The applicant requests a permit to import tissue samples from captive-held Rodrigues fruit bats (*Pteropus rodricensis*) from the United Kingdom for the purpose of genetic research on the evolutionary origins and systematics of the species to enhance the survival of the species.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 420(c), Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 420(c), Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: September 8, 1995.

Caroline Anderson,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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Availability of the Technical/Agency Draft Recovery Plan for the Appalachian Elktoe for Review and Comment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability and public comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces the availability for public review of a technical/agency draft recovery plan for the Appalachian elktoe (*Alasmidonta raveneliana*). This rare freshwater

mussel inhabits medium-sized creeks and rivers with cool, well-oxygenated, and moderate- to fast-flowing water. The Appalachian elktoe currently has a very fragmented, relict distribution but historically had a fairly wide distribution throughout the Upper Tennessee River system in western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee. Only two populations of the species are known to survive. One population occurs in the main stem of the Little Tennessee River in Swain and Macon Counties, North Carolina. The second population occurs in the Nolichucky River system. This population is restricted to scattered locations along a very short reach of the Toe River and the main stem of the Nolichucky River in Yancey and Mitchell Counties, North Carolina. The population on the Nolichucky extends downriver into Unicoi County, Tennessee. A single specimen of the Appalachian elktoe was also found in the Cane River, a major tributary to the Nolichucky River, in Yancey County, North Carolina. It has been reduced to a few short reaches of each of these streams, primarily as a result of impoundments and the general deterioration of water quality resulting from siltation and other pollutants contributed by poor land use practices. The Service solicits review and comments from the public on this draft plan.

DATES: Comments on the draft recovery plan must be received on or before December 13, 1995, to receive consideration by the Service.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the agency draft recovery plan may obtain a copy by contacting the Asheville Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 160 Zillicoa Street, Asheville, North Carolina 28801 (Telephone 704/258-3939). Written comments and materials regarding the plan should be addressed to the Field Supervisor at the above address. Comments and materials received are available on request for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John Fridell at the address and telephone number shown above (Ext. 225).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of the Service's endangered species program. To help

guide the recovery effort, the Service is working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, to establish criteria for recognizing the recovery levels for downlisting or delisting them, and to estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) (Act), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act, as amended in 1988, requires that a public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. The Service will consider all information presented during a public comment period prior to the approval of each new or revised recovery plan. The Service and other Federal agencies will also take these comments into account in the course of implementing approved recovery plans.

The primary species considered in this draft recovery plan is the Appalachian elktoe (*Alasmidonta raveneliana*). The area of emphasis for recovery actions is the upper Tennessee River system in the mountains of western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee. Habitat protection, reintroduction, and the preservation of genetic material are the major objectives of this recovery plan.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered prior to approval of the plan.

Authority: The authority for this action is Section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: September 8, 1995.

Robert R. Currie,

Acting Field Supervisor.

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Notice of Availability of the Technical/ Agency Draft Recovery Plan for Cumberland Rosemary for Review and Comment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability and public comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces the

availability for public review of a technical/agency draft recovery plan for Cumberland rosemary (*Conradina verticillata*). This threatened species is presently known from only three populations: two of these are located in Tennessee and a third occurs in both Tennessee and Kentucky. Cumberland rosemary grows on sandy or gravelly stream banks, sandbars, and gravel/ boulder bars associated with floodplains or islands. There are 91 known colonies of the species; however, most colonies are small and are threatened by stream alternations that would change normal flooding patterns; activities that degrade water quality; and habitat destruction by campers, hikers, white-water enthusiasts, and off-road vehicles. The Service solicits review and comments from the public on this draft plan.

DATES: Comments on the technical/ agency draft recovery plan must be received on or before December 13, 1995, to receive consideration by the Service.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the technical/agency draft recovery plan may obtain a copy by contacting the Asheville Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 160 Zillicoa Street, Asheville, North Carolina 28801 (Telephone 704/258-3939). Written comments and materials regarding the plan should be addressed to the Field Supervisor at the above address. Comments and materials received are available on requests for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Currie at the address and telephone number shown above (Ext. 224).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of the Service's endangered species program. To help guide the recovery effort, the Service is working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, to establish criteria for recognizing the recovery levels for downlisting or delisting them, and to estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

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